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Alderman James A. Bohl, Jr., Chair
Alderman Joe Davis, Sr., Vice Chair
Alderman Fredrick G. Gordon
Alderman Joe Dudzik
Alderman Terry L. Witkowski
Utilities and Licenses Committee
Milwaukee Common Council
City Hall, 200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Re: SEP Management, Inc./McGillicuddy's
Bar and Grill, 1135 North Water Street

Dear Aldermen Bohl, Davis, Gordon,
Dudzik and Witkowski:

On behalf of SEP Management, Inc. and McGillicuddy's Bar and Grill, I have enclosed copies of letters of support in anticipation of tomorrow's Common Council hearing.

I would like to add a personal comment. As some of you may know, I have been involved with the Milwaukee Riverwalk District ("MRD") for many years. MRD produces RiverSplash each year and works closely with the Water Street Association to ensure a high quality and safe event. Paul Melotik has served as President of the Association in the past and was recently re-elected to that position. This is a clear indication of how highly he is regarded by his peers. MRD has always enjoyed working with Paul and looks forward to working with him again. I strongly believe that Paul and McGillicuddy's are important assets in Milwaukee's downtown.

I am confident you will consider McGillicuddy's case fairly and hope that you will agree with me that a renewal of their license without suspension is appropriate.

Yours very truly,

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Bruce T. Block

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cc Members of Common Council
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February 6, 2004

Dear Common Council Member:

I am writing you today to voice my strong support for the renewal of the liquor licenses for McGillicuddys which is located at 1135 N. Water Street in downtown Milwaukee. I have always been impressed with the quality of the operations for this restaurant and bar. Its popularity has allow McGillicuddys to achieve one of the highest sales volume of any establishment in downtown Milwaukee. Notwithstanding this high volume the number and types of problems associated with McGillicuddys has always been extremely modest. That kind of track record just doesn't happen. It is created through active management oversight and constant attention to making this establishment a fun but respectful setting. When the inevitable problem does arise management is quick to react to prevent a problem from reoccurring.

I've known the owners of McGillicuddys for nearly 30 years. They are individuals who have been active in the downtown associations, have helped promote downtown Milwaukee and contribute quietly to many philanthropic initiatives throughout our city. I urge you to support the renewal of their license and allow them to continue to provide some of the best food and fun in downtown Milwaukee.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dan McCarthy', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Dan McCarthy
2871 N. 91 Street
Milwaukee, WI 53222

February 6, 2004

Honorable Members of the
Utilities & License Committee
Common Council
200 East Wells Street
Milwaukee, WI 53202

Dear Members of the Utilities & License Committee:

I am writing a letter of support on behalf of McGillicuddy's Bar & Restaurant, 1135 North Water Street. I understand that the establishment has been recommended for a temporary suspension of the liquor license. I have known the owners of the establishment; Mr. Paul Melotik and Mr. Steve Smith, since they opened in their previous located on the corner of Water Street and Knapp Street. They have always operated a quality business and have participated in a number of community events, including RiverSplash, and Milwaukee River Challenge, among others. They have supported numerous local charities with donations over the years, monetarily or with in-kind services.

Their establishment has an excellent reputation for hospitality and has hosted numerous events for various downtown businesses. The wait staff is very diverse and reflects the population of Milwaukee. The on site security is well trained and screens customers for proper identification. I have also personally witnessed security refusing to admit those who appear to be intoxicated. Troublemakers on the premises are asked to remove themselves or have been escorted out of the establishment.

I hope you reconsider the temporary suspension of their license and give them an opportunity to continue to provide the kind of hospitality people in Milwaukee are accustomed to receiving.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



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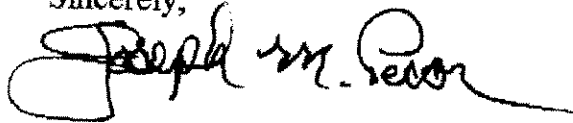
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To: Common Council

I have high regards for McGillicuddy's. The ownership, management and employees work hard to operate a well-run business.

Overall, I believe McGillicuddy's is an asset to Milwaukee, and they have my support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joseph M. Sever". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.


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Milwaukee Common Council
200 E. Wells St.
Milwaukee, WI 53201

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I lease the building at 1135 N. Water St. to Paul Melotik and Steve Smith, who own and operate McGillyCuddy's Bar & Grill. I have leased the property to those gentlemen since February of 2000. McGillyCuddy's has been, in my opinion, a good addition to Water Street. Paul and Steve take good care of the property and in general run a very reputable establishment. This is quite a contrast to what existed at this location prior to my purchase of the building. Closing McGillyCuddy's for any length of time will not only hurt the many employees of McGillyCuddy's but will also hurt Water Street. I hope you will join me in supporting the downtown area.

Very Truly Yours,
D&D Realty on Water, LLC

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Donald W. Baumgartner